

Attorney's Docket No. 043048/293374

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Kellermann et al. Confirmation No.: 5181
Appl. No.: 10/538,828 Group Art Unit: 3673
Filed: February 2, 2006 Examiner: S. Singh
For: TIMBERING AND WALLING CONTROL FOR CONTROLLING THE
MOVEMENTS OF TIMBERING AND WALLING UNITS IN THE COAL
FACE OF A MINE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)**

Sir:

Attached is a list of documents on form PTO-1449 along with a copy of each cited foreign patent document in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2). Also enclosed is an English language Abstract of each cited foreign patent document.

A copy of the International Search Report relating to PCT/DE03/04083 is also enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

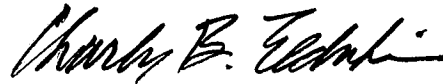
It is requested that the Examiner consider these documents and officially make them of record in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and Section 609 of the MPEP.

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), before final Office Action or Allowance, whichever is earlier.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of \$180.00 and any additional fee, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

In re: Kellermann et al.
Appl. No.: 10/538,828
Filed: February 2, 2006
Page 2

Respectfully submitted,



Charles B. Elderkin
Registration No. 24,357

CUSTOMER No. 00826
ALSTON & BIRD LLP
Bank of America Plaza
101 South Tryon Street, Suite 4000
Charlotte, NC 28280-4000
Tel Charlotte Office (704) 444-1000
Fax Charlotte Office (704) 444-1111

ELECTRONICALLY FILED USING THE EFS-WEB ELECTRONIC FILING SYSTEM OF THE UNITED STATES
PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE ON June 18, 2007.

LEGAL02/30409622v1

Substitute for form 1449/PTO (Revised 07/2005) INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(Use as many sheets as necessary)</i>				Complete if Known		
				Application Number	10/538,828	
				Filing Date	February 2, 2006	
				First Named Inventor	Kellermann et al.	
				Group Art Unit	3673	
Examiner Name	S. Singh					
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	043048/293374	
U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.	Document Number Number - Kind Code (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages of Relevant Figures Appear	
		US-				
		US-				
		US-				
		US-				
		US-				
		US-				
		US-				
		US-				
		US-				
		US-				
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Foreign Patent Document Country Code - Number Kind Code (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	English Language Translation Attached
	1	GB 2 167 924 A	06-04-1986	Gebr Eickhoff Maschinenfabrik und Eisengiesserei mbH		
	2	DE 199 82 113 C1	12-18-2003	Tiefenbach Bergbautechnik GmbH		*
	3	DE 195 46 427 A1	08-08-1996	Tiefenbach GmbH		*
		*Abstract Only				
Examiner Signature			Date Considered			

*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. LEGAL02/30409641v1